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Re:

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Dear Ms. Paoli:

We are in receipt of the General Counsel's brief in this matter. Per our conversation yesterday, I am writing to request an extension of 20 days in responding. As you know, Mr. Lake is currently on trial in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas. Mr. Lake is fully occupied with the defense of that litigation, and as a result, he has extremely limited time and availability. In order to fully consider and respond to the General Counsel's brief, we would like to have until October 10, 2005, twenty days from the current response date, which is September 19, 2005. Please let me know if this is acceptable to the Commission. Thank you for your courtesies.

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